BEL. Have at it then.—By leave;
Thou hadst, great king, a subject, who was calFd Belarius.

CYM. What of him ? he is A banish'd traitor.

BEL, He it is, that hath Assumed this age [6]: indeed, a banish'd man ; I know not how, a traitor.

CYM. Take him hence; The whole world shall not save him.

BEL. Not too hot:
First pay me for the nursing of thy sons; And let it be confiscate all, so soon As I have receiv'd it.

CYM. Nursing of my sons ?

BEL. I am too blunt, and saucy: Here's my knee;
Ere I arise, I will prefer my sons; Then, spare not the old father. Mighty sir, These two young gentlemen, that call me father, And think they are my sons, are none of mine; They are the issue of your loins, my liege, And blood of your begetting.

CYM. How ! my issue ?

BEL. So sure as you your father's. I, old Morgan, Am that Belarius whom you sometime banish'd ;

[6] ASSUM'D this age:] I believe is the same as *reached* or *attained his age.* STEEVENS.

As there is no reason to imagine that Belarius had assumed the appearance of being older than he really was, I suspect that instead of *age,* we should read *gage $* so that he may be understood to refer to *the engagement,* which he had entered into, a few lines before, in these words :

[4]'We will die all three:
" But I will prove two of us are as good
[ft] As lhave given out him." TYKWHITT.

. " Assum'd *Ms age,*" has a reference to the different appearance which Belarius now makes, in comparison with that when Cym-beline last saw him. HENLEY.